

*Charles L. Moore*  
Editor

We present in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT the Charter Amendments to the city of Lexington which have passed the Legislature. A careful reading of the amendments fails to disclose anything objectionable to the people of this city. It brings the city government nearer the people, and especially protects the city against hasty and ill-considered expenditure of money. The provision that members of the Common Council and Police Commission shall serve without pay is probably objectionable, as the time required to perform these duties is considerable. The city is able to pay the men who attend to her business and there is really no reason why she should not. On the other hand, this provision should bring into the service of the city men who are devoted to her material progress, and who to help her along will gladly perform the duties of the offices named to further the common good. Under this provision we hope to see some of our best citizens offer for election to the Board of Aldermen and Council. We might mention such gentlemen as THOS. MITCHELL, of the First National Bank, G. W. RANCK, Judge HUNT, Doctor BULLOCK, J. HULL, DAVIDSON, Dr. J. B. MORTON, and others. We are in favor of electing men who will see to the development of the city, and that everything is kept up to the line of her rapid advancement. The provision for a police and fire commission meets universal approbation; a test of the system will soon be made. Taken altogether the amendments are quite sure to be a benefit to the city. We commend the document to a careful reading.

The general feeling among legislators at Frankfort is favorable to the removal of the Capital to Lexington.

BOWLING Green is to have a company to bore for natural gas. An expert says that that city is in the natural gas belt.

**MR. WILLIAM ARMSTRONG,**  
Of Lexington, Offers a Reward for a Lost Historic Sword.

Mr. William Armstrong, residing on East Short street, in this city, has lost from among the heir-looms of his family, a sword that had belonged to his uncle, William Armstrong, who is reported to have used it valiantly in the defence of American liberty in the war of 1812.

Besides its interest as a family relic, a large pecuniary importance attaches to it, as serving to identify Mr. Armstrong as one of the heirs of a large estate of lands lying in the suburbs of the city of St. Louis, and which have descended from the officer, Armstrong, of the war of 1812. This land consists of about 50 acres, and from a division of a part of it, Mr. Armstrong, of this city, has received his share without any difficulty.

In 1871, Mr. Armstrong rented his house here to Mrs. Middleton and Mrs. Lewis, and moved to Nicholasville. These ladies kept students as boarders. The sword was packed away in some trunks or boxes that were left in an upper room or attic, and since that time have never been seen by any of the family. The scabbard of the sword was of steel, silver, or some bright metal, and is thought to have had the name of William Armstrong, of 1812, engraved upon it. The handle was of ridged ivory.

Mr. Armstrong will suitably reward any one who will produce the sword or furnish information that will lead to its recovery.

From the Lexington Press.

## PERSONAL.

Having failed to be summoned as a witness in the De Roode prosecution, neither side seeming to want me, I take this method of contradicting a calumny industriously circulated by H. H. Gratz and some of his friends for the purpose of injuring me.

His slander, stripped of its profanity, is simply this: He charges that I incited De Roode to make a personal attack on him, and that I had taken a good position for seeing De Roode thrash him.

This charge is absolutely and unqualifiedly false. I saw De Roode a few moments before the fight, and said to him: "Old Gratz gave you the devil this morning." This remark disgruntled De Roode, and he commenced a recital of his troubles with Gratz. This I cut short by saying: "You make it red hot for him in tomorrow's Press." This gave him some comfort, and he said: "I will do my best." I then left, saying a word to him: "Have your copy in by 8 o'clock or it cannot go in the paper."

The fight was a great surprise to me, as it had never occurred to me that either De Roode or Gratz would fight under any circumstances. I did think that Gratz deserved a thrashing for his violent personal attack made on De Roode in his paper, and nine-tenths of the public were of the same opinion, and if De Roode had been two feet in front of Gratz instead of two feet behind him when he made the assault, there is no question that his act would have been generally approved. As it was Gratz got all of the sympathy and De Roode all of the abuse, the public seeming to forget that Gratz is about the last man in the world who has a right to complain about anybody striking him from behind—he has been at it all his life. He was striking behind when he maligned De Roode in the street car, and has been notorious all of his life for slandering people behind their backs. Even his best friends, in whose presence he plays the flunky, do not escape the railings of his "unruly tongue."

H. T. DUNCAN.

**Street Car Accident.**  
Mrs. Bettie B. May and her little children made a narrow escape from severe or fatal injury by a street car on the North Limestone line yesterday. She was crossing the line in a buggy when the street car, going very rapidly behind the buggy, ran into it and broke a wheel to pieces and otherwise damaged it. Mrs. May thinks kindly of the Railway Company, but thinks she ought to have had some warning of the approaching danger. It would be well to furnish the drivers with whistles, and require them to use them. We are in favor of the Street Railway, but the lives in that buggy were worth more than all the railroads in the United States.

Wants to Know About Keeping Sunday.

**Bro. Moore.**—I read with interest your comments on Oglevie's bill, introduced into the Legislature, prohibiting base ball playing on Sunday, and I have been led to examine the New Testament for myself and see if Christ did not command us to keep one day in the week holy, but must say thus far, I cannot find it except by implication, where he says keep the commandments.

Now, what do you think of Matthew xii: 1, and Luke vi: 1? Jesus says his disciples did not violate the Sabbath by plucking corn and rubbing the ears in their hands and eating thereof? But the question in my mind is this: *Whose corn was it?* Had they a legal or moral right to pull it at all? And did they not commit a species of petit larceny by so doing? Give us your views on the subject and oblige.

**INVESTIGATOR.**  
On the back of the sheet of paper containing the above, which was handed me by a friend of the writer, is the endorsement: "It is worthy of consideration to me hear from you through your Blade."

It is signed by a jolly, rollicking, good natured, but an earnest and honest business man, who was a gallant Confederate soldier, and formerly an officer and lawyer of this city, and about whose religious convictions I know nothing.

"Investigator" says: "I cannot find it except by implication, where he says keep the commandments."

The instruction to "keep the commandments" occurs, I think, only three times in the New Testament. In each instance it is the language of Jesus, and they all refer to the same event. It is omitted from the evangelic or gospel writings of John; that writing not being classed among the Synoptics; an explanation of which fact would be more elaborate than is necessary for this investigation.

The expression keep the commandments "is found in Mat. 19: 18, Mark 10: 19, and Luke 18: 20. In all of the instances of statement which are identical in allusion, after the injunction to "keep the commandments," Jesus repeats certain commandments apparently to show to what commandments he alluded, and in all the instances the command requiring the observance of the Sabbath is omitted. In other words Jesus only enjoined six commandments, and omitted four as they appear in Exodus 20, and in Deuteronomy 5. Six of the commandments must be observed by every man who does justice to his fellow man, and are properly comprehended under the injunction to "love thy neighbor." Four of these can be violated by any man without any injustice to any body. These four were never

taught by Christ nor any of his disciples, and the Sabbath observance is included among them. To this general statement the remote Pauline allusion in 1st Corinthians and Galatians, to idolatry and covetousness, may, by a somewhat forced construction, be made exceptions.

The allusions to the Sabbath keeping discussion, to which "Investigator" refers in Matthew 12, and Luke 6, are perfectly in harmony with the other teachings to which I have alluded. The Jews continually charged Jesus that he paid no attention to the Sabbath, and in no instance does he claim to regard it. Jesus explained to the Jews of that day, in those chapters under consideration, why there was no Sabbath in his religion, when he quotes in these two chapters "I will have mercy and not sacrifice." This means that his religion consisted in a course of conduct that made others happy, and not in doing penance, as in keeping a Sabbath.

The disposition in the early church to blend the mere formal ceremonies of the Jewish religion with the moral code of the Christian religion, existed in the days of the apostles, and was opposed by them, but has nevertheless existed until this day, I think, in the matter of observing a Sabbath.

As to "pulling the corn" or rubbing out the wheat grains in their hands and eating them as they passed through the fields, neither Jesus nor his disciples had any more right to do it than we would at this day, but it was but little worse than taking a drink out of a man's spring without asking him. The amount taken was so small, that it would probably be cavilling to regard it even the lowest degree of larceny.

Gave Him a Black Eye.

On Wednesday night Capt. Bowmar, of Versailles, formerly editor of the *Star*, now confined in the Asylum, scaled the fence and escaped. One of the attendants pursued and captured him just as he was boarding the eastbound midnight train at the C. and O. depot. He was secured after a struggle in which the attendant got one of his peepers into mourning. Newspaper men are dangerous to tackle.

FARM FOR RENT.—I have a farm of 30 acres of first-class land, 12 acres of which are now in corn. The balance is in pasture, and is well adapted for raising stock. A good tenant for this year's cultivation, inquire of Mrs. B. H. May on the premises.

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J. A. SUCKEY,

J. M. HOCKER, JR.,

H. C. CLAY,

J. C. SMITH.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 11, 1886. Feb12-1m

Notice Of Incorporation.

Notice is hereby given of the incorporation of The Overly Tobacco Company, whose principal place of transacting business will be at Lexington, Fayette County, Kentucky, and the general nature of its business being that of buying, selling, handling, manufacturing and trading in tobacco.

The capital stock shall be fifty thousand dollars divided into five hundred shares of par value \$100 each, of which 500 shares must be taken and paid for before the corporation commences business, except that of its organization. The remaining 450 shares can only be taken and issued at such time or times and upon such terms as shall be determined by a majority vote of all stock then issued taken at a stockholders meeting.

The time of the commencement of the corporation is November 1st, 1885, and of its termination November 1st, 1910, unless sooner dissolved, as provided in the articles of incorporation or unless continued as provided therein.

The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors. The first election shall be held on the second Tuesday in February, 1886, and elections shall be held annually thereafter on that day. Until the first annual election shall be held the first five whose names are hereto appended as incorporators shall constitute the Board of Directors.

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CHARLES S. BRYANT,

ALEXANDER E. WELLS,

THOMAS I. BRYANT,

WILLIAM A. THOMAS, Incorporators.

Prof. David A. King.

Prof. King and wife, who formerly lived in this city, but for about three years past have lived in Sandusky, Ohio, have returned to Lexington to live, and will bring with them their son-in-law, Mr. D. L. Wagner, a large ice-dealer in Ohio. Prof. King was formerly connected with the mechanical department of the State College, in this place, and will soon resume his position there. He is a very genial gentleman, and highly competent in his department. He will soon put the class in Mechanics to constructing a large and elegant clock for the college tower.

To Wed.

The marriage of Miss Mamie Warfield, of this city, and Mr. Sam Bennett, of Richmond, Ky., is announced to take place at Christ Church Thursday, February 18th, at 8 o'clock p. m. There will be no attendants.

Mike Gormley Worse.

Ex-Officer Mike Gormley, who was hot in the abdomen by John Walsh a short time since, is not doing so well and his condition is worse.

The consignors of the Woman's Exchange who have dishes there, will confer a favor by calling for them as soon as possible. The space which they occupy is needed and unless removed by the 1st of March they will be disposed of by the managers.

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The Member From Lexington.

To the Speaker's left sits the member from Lexington. He looks about thirty-eight. His peculiar blue eyes moisten with the merriment that continually bubbles within him. He is the wit of the House, and his harmless sallies are frequently fatal to the dignity of the imitative statesmen who pose like Henry Clay and talk like a clothier's dummy. Mulligan is an earnest, active fellow, Chairman of the Railroad Committee and one of the most valuable men in the House.

—Louisville Post.

Married.

At 2 o'clock yesterday evening Mr. W. H. Wood and Miss Mary E. Lawless were married at the Broadway Christian Church, Eld. John S. Shouse officiating. Messrs. B. B. Wood, Edmund Parker, Geo. Coyle and Alex. Lawless were ushers. The evening was very beautiful, and a large concourse of friends were in attendance. They will continue their residence in the northern part of this county.

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